

PROMOTING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE IN THE  
ARMY.

MAY 24, 1898.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. GRIFFIN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, submitted the  
following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 10423.]

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 10423) to amend an act entitled "An act to promote the administration of justice in the Army," approved October first, eighteen hundred and ninety, and for other purposes, having had the same under consideration, report it back with the recommendation that the bill do pass.

A bill bearing the same title was favorably reported by this committee on January 22, 1898, and is (H. R. 3039, Report No. 224, present session) now on the House Calendar. The bill herewith reported is designed as a substitute for said bill now on the House Calendar, its purpose being to effect certain changes in such former bill rendered necessary by reason of the existing state of war, which was declared after such former bill was reported.

The changes in House bill 3039 proposed to be made by the present bill are as follows:

Lines 8, 9, 10, and 11 are amended so as to read as follows:

That the commanding officer of each garrison, fort, or other place, regiment or corps, detached battalion or company, or other detachment in the Army shall have power to appoint for such place or command, or, in his discretion, for each battalion thereof, a summary court, to consist of one officer to be designated, etc.

Insert in line 16, on page 2, between the words "courts-martial" and "shall," where they occur therein, the words "and offenses cognizable by field officers detailed to try offenders under the provisions of the eightieth and one hundred and tenth articles of war."

Strike out the word "book" where it occurs in line 29, on page 2.

Insert in line 30, on said page 2, between the words "the" and "command," the word "proper."

Strike out the words "post or other commander," where they occur in line 34, in said page 2, and insert the words "officer appointing the court or by the officer commanding for the time being."

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Insert a new section, to be known as section 2, and to read as follows:

SEC. 2. That articles eighty and one hundred and ten of the Rules and Articles for the Government of the Armies of the United States be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Insert in line 48, page 3, after the word "shall" and before the word "on," where they occur in said line 48, page 3, the words "in time of peace."

Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 are renumbered to stand as sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

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